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IN RE APPLICATION OF: JASON L. FULLER AND  
SHAUN D. COMPTON  
APPLICATION NO.: 10/081,624  
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FOR: **MICROELECTRONIC DEVICE HAVING A  
PLURALITY OF STACKED DIES AND  
METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING  
SUCH MICROELECTRONIC  
ASSEMBLIES**

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Sir:

We, Jason L. Fuller and Shaun D. Compton, declare and state that:

1. We are the joint inventors of the invention described and claimed in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/081,624 (the "present application") filed February 20, 2002. This declaration establishes invention in this country before April 10, 2001, and thus before the issue date of U.S. Patent No. 6,212,767.

2. Before April 10, 2001, we conceived the invention claimed in the present application. Our conception of the invention is corroborated by (a) the signed and redacted pages of Micron Technology, Inc. Invention Disclosure Form 01-0427 (hereinafter, the "01-0427 Disclosure," attached to this declaration as Exhibit A), and (b)